

Boston. Jan 1<sup>st</sup> 1837.

I write this present Sunday evening my dear Deborah  
more for the purpose of wishing you a Happy New  
Year than any thing else. You do not deserve that I  
should do this, for why have you not written? you are  
aware, I suppose that I could not get the letter to Miss  
Bailey in time, so I sent it by the Rail Road that  
afternoon. I am up & staid with us till Sat afternoon  
& then she & Aunt M went over to Cambridge. Sat & Sunday  
I was very much troubled with a side ache & so did not  
go out. Indeed, Sunday was a pouring rain & hardly  
any one went out. Monday also was a pouring rain.  
Tuesday afternoon I called at Mrs Jewell's to get her pe-  
tition. It was very pleasant & spoke very highly of "the  
Slave", said it was the work of a great mind & not its  
first production either. I conversed with the best of them  
Mrs J is "as ladies wish to be" very discriminated. I spent  
the rest of the afternoon at Channing's keeping about  
petitions. You will see in the Liberator the sum heretofore  
has been sent. When I came home I found Aunt M  
just returned from Cambridge. Caroline went out to  
Rockbury to pass the night, in order to cog them about H's  
book. Wednesday morning, she returned with Sarah Clln  
& Pierpont. J.A. had come to pass the night, & P was to  
take the stage in the afternoon, but alas! Mr Bailey  
did not send it, & to Sarah Clln's great wrath, he had  
to stay all night, & she had to stay in till after & the  
next afternoon. Martha Perkins called on Tues. She  
is now attending Mr Andrews' school, boarding at Dr  
Noyes'. Also Miss Smith called, who is to take lessons  
of C in drawing. That afternoon, Aunt Mary & I called  
on Mrs Newcomb (Brother Held's friend) & at Channing.  
Pl. Mrs N has recovered from her rheumatism, & met  
us with great sweetnes. Thursday, Mary Wylie called  
& both the Percivals came to see Sarah Clln. In  
the afternoon I called at the Cllns' & saw George who  
seems to be still mourning for Meloria. By the way both  
Mr & Mrs Parker were at the fair & behaved most  
ed no much happiness that I was ashamed of her. I  
suppose I took some cold that day, for though I was  
wrapped up with the greatest care, & not out a  
great while, I was so stuffed the next day that I

have not been out since Friday I employed my self in writing to dear George Thompson, as there was a bundle going to him. There was a beautiful spon at the fair wrought by the Largent, that perhaps you saw, that was purchased by a few ladies & sent to Mr George. Friday I also sent 600 names from Fall River to Webster & 73 post Dant mouth to John Reed. I accompanied both with a few fitting lines. One important circumstance of Thursday I have omitted. Just as drak Nerney arrived. He came a few days before his vacation. He has had great trouble with his face, & had a pain all the time he was with us. He went to weigh out Saturday with Henry Cowing who had come in the night before. He said he had had no more difficulty. & did not seem to apprehend any. Saturday was a delightful one on some account. Mary Soule dined here & in the afternoon she & Lucia left for Barn Bridge, Lucia having previously been invited over there to pass Sunday. Mary Ann started with her Aunt Betsy to pass the Sunday at the Maverick House, & Lucia went off to Howland to stay as long as they seemed to want her, that is a few days. You may imagine our comfort at all these absences. It would have been a good time for you to have appeared. In the evening we began to be a little look out for New Years presents, but none came. Some a nice muff for Caroline with a note specifying that it was from "her affectionate pupil." To day Caroline has been to Mr Pierponts all day, & thinks that he has trifled with her. He prided for the gloves & in that we don't know but he is coming out. No one has been in but great & little Henry, the last named person repeated with great unition some lines beginning "The old year owns a waged wage" This was his literal pronunciation. You will see Dr Channing's letter in the Liberator. It is thought by the abolitionists here to be too mean a thing to speak of & Lynde better has put a beautiful bit in to his Transcript which I will send. I hope I shall hear from you to morrow. Me, that is Caroline received an elegant present the other day from Mary Ann Donenponts father, consisting of 12 different jars of West India preserves. To day she

sent a jar of beautiful preserved pine apples to Clancy & one of citrus to Mrs Chapman. ever yrs am

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> Evening 8 o'clock. I have waited ever since Sunday evening, thinking that I would wait till I heard from you, but as there seems to be no know in when that event will take place, I have concluded to finish this. On Monday, Lucia & Mary Ann returned, not having received a sign of a present & on the next day Lucretia in the same condition. Aunt Mary went to Falmouth on Monday afternoon with Linfield & Caroline, Lucia, Emma, Henry the younger & Harry went out to Roxbury in a carriage of Henry Chapman's providing, to take a ride. They called upon Sarah Ann & returned in the evening. Caroline went down to Morris & passed the evening with Garrison & Stanton who has just come in town. Stanton, by C's account, is the same old man Tuesday evening as the tribe of Chapman's & Caroline went over to the Belknap pt Church to hear Hillard deliver the first of a course of lectures to the coloured people. Caroline & Lucretia took tea at Channing & previously with Stanton, & after the lecture was over they all went back & was treated. Hillard was highly opposed. He testified valiantly, called the audience his brethren, spoke of the prejudice against them as we only two steps better than slavery. Yesterday after noon Dr. Towns worth called & promised to do so again to day but I have seen nothing of him. Ann Chapman called to day. She has written to Thompson & sent him a lot of books. I feel very bad to tell you that I am afraid I shall not be able to come to New Bedford. I think it more than likely that I shall be confined to the house all winter, for if I take cold every time I go out, I must stay in. I believe my present state to be much as often and great care, but I may be nervous & think myself worse than I am. Still I very much apprehend that it will not be proper for me in this weather to ride to N. B. I have given up all thoughts of the New York scheme. I know you will be disappointed but remember in 7 wks your term will be out. Poor Henry Benson is expected to live but a few days. The meeting of the Mass occurs the 25. They are going to try to get well here & Amos Dresser is to be

here for certain. Emma is very poorly now with a  
side ailie & I know not what, but she is expected to  
leave daily & I trust that then she will be better.  
Caroline is up to E. L. Loring's passing a social evening.  
If she picks up any news, I will open this & put it in.  
All I can say more is, if you have not written, write  
as soon as you get this. If I do not have a chance  
soon I will send you "The Slave" by the postage.

Mr. Tyler has made Warren a present of a nice  
shaggy outside coat. Dr. Cutler is engaged to see  
Ann's aunt Betsy & is to be married in a month  
or two. With love to all

ever & ever yrs  
Anne.

Single.

Miss Anna Weston.

New P. J. Bent.

Rev. B. Colford  
Mass.



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